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SUBJECT: ANTIGUA AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES, LTD.

1. OPIC HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY CORN PRODUCTION SYSTEMS (CPS) INC., ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS, FOR \$1,500,000 IN LOANS TO SUPPORT ITS CORN AND SORGHUM PRODUCTION PROJECT ON ANTIGUA, OPERATING UNDER NAME OF ANTIGUA AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES, LTD., (AAI), ST. JOHNS. INITIAL PROJECT ASSETS TOTAL APPROXIMATELY \$4,000,000. EXPECTED PROJECT PRODUCE SALES PRICES, PER TON: GRAIN CORN, \$160; SORGHUM, \$144.

2. OPIC REQUESTS EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN EVALUATING WHETHER OR NOT TO ENCOURAGE FORMAL APPLICATION FOR LOAN. EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING APPRECIATED, BUT NO EXTENSIVE RESEARCH EXPECTED. (A) WHAT INITIAL REACTION TO FEASIBILITY OF PROJECT AS ABOVE DESCRIBED. IS CURRENT TEST CROP ON ANTIGUA DEVELOPING SATISFACTORILY? (B) WOULD PRESENT CARIFTA AGREEMENTS GIVE PROJECT PREFERENTIAL MARKET ACCESS. PLEASE COMMENT ON PROJECTED PRICING WITHIN CARIFTA FRAMEWORK. (C) WHAT LEVEL OF POLITICAL RISK IS PERCEIVED FOR PROJECT

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WITHOUT LOCAL PARTNER? DOES PREMIER SUPPORT AAI AND PRO-

JECT? DOES AAI ENJOY FAVORABLE REPUTATION ON ANTIGUA?

IMPACT MERIT OPIC SUPPORT?

3. AAI ADDRESS, BOX 1225 ST. JOHNS, PHONE 20453. MANY  
THANKS. KISSINGER

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